

PRAISE SERVICE

Held at Y. M. C. A. Tent Last Evening—Offering for Evangelists To-Night.

The meeting at the Y. M. C. A. tent last evening took the form of a praise service and although the number in attendance was not so large as was one of the most joyous meetings yet held. The services were conducted by the singing of "We Praise Thee, O God" and "Learning on Everlasting Arms." Rev. M. Newcomer led in prayer and the quartette sang "I'll Stand By Thee in the Morning." Then followed voluntary scripture quotations and the singing of "Thy God Reigneth." Mr. Smith read the 12th chapter of Isaiah commenting on it as he read, and it was a song of praise. "So of us," he said, "in the course of remarks, 'want to be our own way of salvation.' God says, 'I am the way, some think that a Christian should go about with a long face and serious air. No one has a better right to laugh and be happy. We should sing songs of praise. I believe with you, that the man who can laugh and won't sing should be sent to sing.'"

At the close of Mr. Smith's remarks, Messrs. Smith and Haasler sang "There Is Glory In My Soul," and then followed a joyous praise service consisting of words of testimony interspersed with stanzas of favorite songs. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. Frost Craft.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The offering for tonight is "Populism Announcements." The envelopes for the free will offering to the evangelists were distributed last evening and will be collected this evening. The evangelists are receiving no pay other than that given in free will offering and it is hoped that the people will be generous in the contributions.

ALL ST. LOUIS COMING.

Decatur Will be Crowded With Wabash Railway Men Thursday.

The St. Louis Chronicle of the evening contained the following: "Fifteen hundred railroad men and 500 others of St. Louis, and 500 from Chicago and elsewhere, will journey to Decatur, Ill., Thursday evening, to participate in a farewell reception to honor of W. P. Garrett, superintendent of the middle division of the Wabash system."

Three special trains will leave St. Louis at 4:30 p. m., one under the auspices of the Terminal Railroad association, one for the employees of the middle division of the Wabash, and another under the auspices of the officers for the general accommodation of railroad men.

"Four brass bands and a deal of other 'incidental' things, will be featured, all in honor of Mr. Garrett, who leaves Philadelphia in a week to become general manager of the terminal of the Philadelphia and Reading railway."

General Manager E. P. Bryan of the Terminal will respond to a toast on behalf of the association, for which Garrett was superintendent the year ago.

Niagara Falls and Return, \$8.50 from Decatur.

On Tuesday, August 8th, the P. & E. Ry. will run its annual excursion to Niagara Falls at the above rate giving passengers their choice of rail and all rail trip or trip Toledo to Buffalo by steamer. For a pleasant outing on either excursion offers special opportunity. Call on nearest ticket agent for particulars, or write G. A. Smith, G. A., Peoria, Ill.—25-dtd

Play Ball Today.

The members of the College football team play at the race track this afternoon with the Macon Maroons. Several days ago the Decatur boys went to Macon and were defeated. The team, however, was a picked one and was not the regular College club but today the regular team will play and the members say they will beat the Macon boys badly.

Frank Curtis Co.

The Curtis Jewelry company has been incorporated and the certificate of incorporation has been received from the secretary of state. The name of the new firm will be the Frank Curtis Co., and the capital stock is \$30,000. The stockholders are Frank Curtis, Mrs. Jennie Durfee and Mabel Durfee. This evening the stockholders will hold a meeting and will elect officers and a board of directors.

Funeral Services.

The funeral of the late A. J. Chas. man, who died at his home near Cass yesterday in his 81st year, will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Casser church. Rev. D. O. Griffin officiated and the burial was at the Mount Creek cemetery. The funeral of the late Dr. George W. Ryan will be held at Niagara on Wednesday.

Visit

Niagara Falls on the occasion of the visit of P. D. & E. excursion, Tuesday, August 2. Plenty of time to visit the falls, the Horrocks, Montreal, Thousand Island Park, and other resorts. Tickets for the excursion are on sale by J. E. King.

ALL FIGHTING TO BE BRISK

Senator Burrows' Remarks Attract Much Attention.

OUTLOOK FOR OTIS

Gen. Merritt May be Sent to Take Command.

ACTIVITY TO FOLLOW RAINS.

The War Will be Brought to a Speedy End in the Philippines—Troops Enough to Go to Crush the insurgents.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Senator Burrows' interview, in which he said that at the end of the Philippine war, in eight next year it would be advantageous to the Republicans, was fully discussed here. Senator Burrows' expressions did not come as a surprise, as the truth of his statement have already been recognized. At two points have been suggested to the president and have received serious consideration. President McKinley believes the country will soon tire of the campaign and demand that the war be brought to a conclusion without further delay. At the same time President McKinley believes that the people will be satisfied if the war is ended before another rainy season is around, and, therefore, is not fearful of the outcome. If the force now intended for General Otis is not sufficient more will be sent. It is the intention of the president to send enough troops to the Philippines to administer a crushing blow to the insurrection when operations are resumed.

While confidence in General Otis has been expressed by the president this is not by any means signifying that another officer will not be placed in charge of active operations. The testimony of the officers and men of the Nebraska and Utah troops to the effect that General Otis is incompetent has had its effect. This sort of criticism comes from so many sources that officers are beginning to believe there is some foundation for it. It is probable that General Merritt will be returned to Manila to take charge of field operations, while General Otis will perform the duties of military governor. When such stalwart administration men as Senator Burrows speak so frankly head will be put to their criticisms. It is safe to say that at the end of the rainy season such a vigorous war will be waged that the bitterest opponents of the administration will be satisfied.

The Indiana and Relief.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., August 2.—The transport Indiana has sailed for Manila with 800 recruits for the Philippine regiments in the Philippines. A hospital ship Relief with six soldiers from the Philippines, sailed through Golden Gate at 3 o'clock this morning. The Relief is a bay and anchored at the quarantine station. No one will be allowed to land until she is boarded and examined by the government quarantine officers. She is reported to have on board over 350 invalids, including nearly every regiment in the field, as well as the Nebraska and Pennsylvania volunteers, who have already returned.

A clean bill of health having been passed to the Relief the sick and wounded were brought ashore and taken to the post hospital. They number 30. Only two deaths are reported during the voyage—Chris Krans of Wyoming, of malaria, and Frank A. Doral.

A Little Fight.

MANILA, August 2.—Mail advices from the Island of Cebu announce that a company of Americans last week

attacked the Filipino trenches two kilometers from the town of Elipardo. The rebels were commanded by Olimace, a prominent and wealthy person. The Charleston shelled the enemy and the Filipinos retreated. The American casualties were slight. The presence of Olimace with the rebels is reported to have been due to rebel orders from Luzon.

SCARE AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Notwithstanding assurances of the health authorities that there is no danger of yellow fever making its appearance here there is considerable uneasiness on the part of the people. This is accentuated by the fact that three suspects are detained at the pesthouse, and the report that the malady has spread to Phoebus, Va., as well as in the home at Hampton. The three suspects detained here are old soldiers who have visited the Soldiers' Home at Hampton since the outbreak of the fever. One is Daniel Seary, an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, who was arrested charged with intoxication, and the second is a man known as "Tack," whose name the health authorities refuse to give, and the third is George Walker, a resident of Washington who recently spent a day at the home at Hampton.

BEATS FICTION

A Story of Love, Divorce, Revenge and Robbery.

GUTHRIE, OKLA., August 2.—Governor Barnes has offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of C. D. Glaze for embezzlement. Back of the announcement is a story that has few equals in fiction. Glaze is under indictment for embezzling nearly \$5000 from his wife, while acting as her agent.

Several years ago Henry L. Kendall, a wealthy money lender of this city, aged 50, and Miss Belle McComb, a charming girl of 18, were married. Some months later the young bride sued for a divorce, alleging cruelty, abuse, neglect and other offenses.

She secured the divorce by default, Kendall, by agreement, giving her \$6000 in cash and a farm as alimony. Some months later C. D. Glaze, a handsome stranger, laid siege to the heart of the charming young grass widow with the cash and a farm and so active was his campaign that she soon capitulated and gave into his keeping her heart, hand and fortune. Before the honeymoon began to wane she made her husband her agent and gave him a power of attorney.

One day, when she was sick in bed, Glaze suddenly left, with all her money, and, using his power of attorney, sold her farm, and even her pet horse, leaving her with less than \$3.

After he had gone the deserted wife learned that her second husband was the nephew of the first, and had evidently been sent by him to woo and win her and get her money and property.

Glaze was traced to British Columbia, where he made a pretense of going to the Klondike, but was later seen in St. Louis and Chicago, and it is believed he has gone to Cuba.

RAILWAY STRIKE

Non-Union Man Raises a Big Rumpus.

PORT HURON, MICH., August 2.—The machinists of the Grand Trunk shops here struck today. Yesterday J. C. Gehring, the foreman, set a non-union man to work. The machinists notified him that unless the new man was discharged they would strike, but he was set at work again today. Every branch of the International Machinists' association and the Amalgamated Association of engineers who have men in the employ of the Grand Trunk were notified and the strike will extend today over the entire system. Two hundred and fifty men are out here.

UNCLE SAM'S MONEY.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—The government receipts for last month in round numbers were \$48,054,000, against \$43,847,000 for July, 1898. Expenditures \$56,561,000, against \$74,263,000 in July last year.

AN OLD STORY

Dewey Charged With Having Fired on the Germans.

The Admiral Will Ignore the Yarn.

BERLIN, August 2.—Did Admiral Dewey fire on the German fleet at Manila? History may show that he did. The Trieste correspondent of the Tageblatt and Lokal Anzeiger, in almost identical language, report that he did. They repeat that the behavior of the German marine officers greatly displeased the American commander. These officers were intolerably haughty. They conducted themselves like lords of the country. The officers of other countries, without exception, obeyed the blockade regulations willingly. The Germans were trouble, some, mischievous and stubborn, showing hostility to America.

Dewey was compelled to fire a shot in the direction of the German fleet as a warning that he would not tolerate their insolence any longer.

These correspondents say that Admiral Dewey is reticent on the subject of America's relations with Germany. The feeling is that these relations are improving, and that it is unwise to try to make it appear that war is even remotely probable between the two countries.

It is also asserted that no remarks of Dewey supplied the material for Captain Coghlan's speech. Coghlan never was much in contact with Dewey. Admiral Dewey has no dislike for the German people.

ILLINOIS LEADS

Pays More Internal Revenue Than Any State.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Illinois paid more internal revenue last year than any other state in the union, the total collections for the Prairie State being \$47,359,523, while New York, which yielded only \$46,034,980, is the next largest contributor. Pennsylvania paid the government \$23,355,573 and secured third place, while Kentucky turned over \$22,215,284 and secured fourth place. Ohio was the next in line with \$21,341,065, then followed Indiana, with \$17,218,070; Missouri, \$16,369,075; Wisconsin, \$9,467,065.

Of the other middle western states Michigan yielded \$4,643,795; Nebraska, \$3,423,079; Minnesota, \$2,567,688; Iowa, \$2,003,263, while Kansas paid but \$994,825.

Collections made by Collector Coyne at Chicago amounted to \$14,748,449; those by Collector Daugherty at Peoria, \$21,922,965; Collector Yates at Springfield handled over \$9,598,215, and Collector Powell at East St. Louis, \$1,089,833. Commissioner Wilson's report shows that the total collections for the year aggregated \$273,484,582, which is an increase of \$103,617,763 over last year.

Fermented liquors show the greatest increase over 1898, the amount being \$29,129,137. Schedules A and B of the war revenue act produced little in 1898, as the law went into effect a few days before the close of the fiscal year. These schedules alone produced \$43,887,816 in the year just closed.

TWO EXECUTIONS.

AUBURN, N. Y., August 2.—Oscar E. Rice, white, and John Kennedy, negro, were put to death by electricity in the prison here today. Rice killed his wife in Westfield, Chautauque county, last March, and made an ineffectual attempt at suicide. Kennedy killed John Cummings, another negro, in Buffalo last October, as the result of a quarrel over a woman.

BASE BALL

AUGUST 1.
St. Louis 8, Boston 7 (14 innings).
Cincinnati 10, Brooklyn 4.
Philadelphia 7-2, Cleveland 5-6.
Pittsburg 9, Baltimore 2.
Chicago 6, Washington 5.
Louisville 7, New York 1.

OUR OWN TEA

Can be Produced in South Carolina—The Proof.

It is as Good or Better Than Oriental Product.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Dr. Charles U. Shepherd, in charge of the experimental tea garden at Sumnerville, S. C., has made a report to the secretary of agriculture. He says that 50 acres of land are under tea cultivation. Three thousand pounds were sold last year at a profit of 25 percent. It is estimated that when all the plants now growing arrive at maturity they will yield 10,000 pounds annually. The quality of the tea has proved satisfactory. Of the black tea he says: "It has a distinctly characteristic flavor, and like some of choicer oriental teas, its liquor has more strength than its color indicates." The green tea, he says, has attracted keen interest in the trade and among consumers and he adds: "Oriental teas can hardly furnish the like in this country."

FIREMEN AT PEKIN

Results of First Day's Tourney Events.

PEKIN, ILL., August 2.—The opening day of the 11th tournament of the Illinois State Firemen's association was a most successful one, in spite of the very heavy rain storm. There was a parade through the principal streets, in which the companies from Dixon, Gibson City, Madison, Elie Island, Bushnell, Geneseo, Venice, Arcola, Farmington, Litchfield, Edwardsville, Chicago Heights, Naperville, Charleston and Pekin participated. This afternoon more than 2000 people attended the contests. The first prize for best turnout in parade was awarded Edwardsville, and second to Farmington. The events were won as follows:

One hundred yard foot race—Schemmerhorn, Dixon, won; time, :10 3-5. Brady, Chicago Heights, second. Ladder climbing—Abbott, Dixon, :05 2-5; Kelsa, Gibson City, :06 4-5. Novelty hose race—Naperville, :30 3-5; Farmington, :30; Litchfield, :31 2-5. Novelty hook and ladder race—Dixon, :30 4-5; Gibson City, :31 4-5; Edwardsville, :36 1-5. Hose race for new teams—Madison, :32.

Hook and ladder race, for new teams—Gibson City, :32; Edwardsville, :35. Novelty hub and hook and ladder race—Dixon, :31. Hub and hook and ladder race, for new teams—Gibson City, :25. Platform hose race—Naperville, :32 2-5. Hook and ladder platform race—Edwardsville, :28.

BESTED THE "KID"

George Lavigne, the Boxer, Knocked Out.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH., August 2.—George, better known as "Kid," Lavigne, who is one of 12 recruits bound from Saginaw and Detroit for Fort Sheridan, found a policeman standing on the station platform here and said he longed to lick the whole police force. He and Policeman Gore mixed up lively for a while, but Gore finally felled him with a smash in the eye. He chased Gore with a revolver until Policeman Bancroft came to Gore's rescue. Bancroft knocked him down with a club and the two officers hammered him. They could not arrest him, as he was in the United States service and bound for the front. The "Kid" was badly battered up when the sergeant in charge of the party finally got him aboard the train.

NO KING NOW

Latest News From the Samoan Islands.

APIA, SAMOA, July 26, via Auckland, N. Z., August 2.—At the meeting of the Samoa commissioners just held both parties signed an agreement

abolishing the kingship, the president agreeing to administer with the legislative council of the three tripartite nominees. The commissioners left here on the transport Badger July 18.

At a meeting of the Malietoa party the speakers expressed a desire for annexation as the best solution of the questions in dispute, but did not set forth by what country they desired to be annexed. United States Consul Osborn will act as chief justice. Dr. Self, the German president of the municipal council, claimed the right to act as chief justice under the treaty, but the commission withholding its unanimous consent, he resigned the office of president, claiming that the action of the commission was an insult to his honor and nationality. German Commissioner Sternberg prevailed upon Self to withdraw and resign in favor of Osborn. Mataafa is seriously ill.

DAYS OF EASE

The President Keeps Fully Advised as to Events.

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., August 2.—Soon after Postmaster General Smith arrived at Hotel Champlain yesterday he went for a long walk with the president. They found a seat in a shady spot in the woods, and together they talked over in detail the events of the past week in Washington.

Gen. Guy V. Henry and wife called and spent the forenoon playing euchre with the President and Mrs. McKinley. Mrs. McKinley is very fond of the game. Col. Lagrange B. Cannon, who took the president out driving yesterday, is to send a handsome pair of horses over from his summer home at Burlington, Vt., for the president's use during his stay here. Mr. McKinley is kept fully advised regarding the yellow fever epidemic at Hampton. He had nothing to say in relation to the statement of Secretary Alger, published in the morning papers. Mr. and Mrs. Russell A. Alger, Jr., who have been stopping here for several days, left for New York city.

THE NEWS.

Col. Alexander Lawman, commander of the 10th Pennsylvania volunteer regiment, died of apoplexy on the Senator en route from Manila to San Francisco. He died at Yokohama.

Acc made a mile in 2:06 1/2 at the pace at Columbus, Ohio, yesterday. Miss Edith M. Witmer has been appointed county superintendent of Christian county schools, to succeed her father, D. O. Witmer, who died recently.

Albert Shetter, a farm hand, in alleged self-defense shot J. W. Workman, a farmer, near Loomis, in Sangamon county, on Tuesday. Not serious. Shetter is under arrest.

Mrs. Susan Dunlap, widow of Col. George A. Dunlap, is dead at Jacksonville.

The street car and other strikers at Cleveland, Ohio, are working the boycott for all it is worth.

Thomas J. Smith, city clerk at Pawa, has been elected mine inspector for Christian county.

A QUEER WHIM

Old Lady Goes to Her Grave Sitting in a Chair.

PAWLING, N. Y., August 2.—Mrs. George S. Norton was buried here in a specially constructed coffin, permitting the body to sit upright in her old rocking chair. While the last rites were performed at the old homestead of the dead woman, the remains sat in her chair, and, open-eyed, seemed to superintend the arrangements of her own funeral. On account of the unusual construction of the coffin it was necessary to employ a derrick to lower the remains to their last resting place.

BIG CONVENTION.

PITTSBURG, PA., August 2.—Everything is in readiness for the opening of the 10th anniversary convention of the Young People's Christian Union of the United Presbyterian church tonight. It is expected that 10,000 to 15,000 visitors will be in the city by night.

CALHOUN TO DECLINE

Chicago Story to the Effect That He's Out of the Race

FOR GOV'RNORSHIP

Hitt Now Seems to be a Favorite.

GOSSIP ON THE SITUATION.

Congressman Lorimer's Return from the East Will Clear Up the Clouds of Doubt in the Republican Ranks—How Cook County Leaders Talk.

CHICAGO, August 2.—Among Republican politicians in Chicago the impression prevails that W. J. Calhoun will decline, for the present at least, to allow his name to be used further in connection with the Republican nomination for governor. This is expected to be the tenor of the announcement which Mr. Calhoun's friends say he will soon make. When he was here last week Mr. Calhoun said his mind was practically made up on the subject of the governorship but he refused to indicate whether his decision would be affirmative or negative to the solicitations of his friends that he declare himself a candidate. The gentlemen who were promoting his candidacy were equally non-committal.

Yesterday, however, a man who is on terms of close friendship with Mr. Calhoun said he doubted whether Mr. Calhoun would be a candidate. "I have known Calhoun since boyhood," said this gentleman. "I talked over the proposition to make him the Republican nominee when he was here last week. From what he said I do not think he will be a candidate. He said to me that he would not be an avowed candidate for the nomination until such time as he knew he could get it as the choice of his party, without having to fight or scramble for it. Great pressure has been brought to bear on him to induce him to go out after the nomination, but Calhoun is a man who cannot be forced from a position he has taken after due consideration. His private affairs are not in a shape to permit him to devote much time to politics. While he has friends all over the state, he has not received the encouragement he looked for in some sections. The conferences of his friends here last week were for the purpose of reviewing the situation and deciding whether he should announce himself as a candidate. He may decide, finally, to enter the race, but if he does so I will be surprised. This does not mean that he may not become a candidate later. It is many months yet till the Republican state convention, and in that time things may happen which would induce him to be a candidate for the nomination."

But when he speaks on the subject I think he will advise his friends to drop his candidacy for the present."

The chief cause of Mr. Calhoun's withdrawal, should he announce himself not a candidate, may be found in the attitude of the Cook county Republican leaders. The Calhoun managers found it impossible to secure from any of them pledges of support for him. Even those who have been saying publicly and in private that they oppose Governor Tanner's re-nomination would not promise in advance of the state convention to carry their delegations to Mr. Calhoun. This dampened the enthusiasm of Mr. Calhoun's friends very much. The Cook county men will not pledge themselves as individuals to any candidate until they have conferred and tried to agree on some one whom they can support as a unit in the state convention. This consultation will be held some time after Congressman

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CALHOUN TO DECLINE

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return from the east. Should he fail to agree on a candidate, a man will feel at liberty to make his personal choice among the

of the Cook county leaders are favorably of Congressman Hitt. This talk is mainly those who oppose Tanner's

tion. Said one of these, a West Side man, yesterday: "I am not yet to talk of candi-

the governorship. The con- months away, and we have time to consider the claims

back or may seek the nomi- some of the leaders want nominated. Others are

in my section many are for Tanner, but we do not know. If we had to choose

them, we might prefer Tan- ner, but I have heard some talk lately among our

congressman Hitt. Hitt has effort to secure the nomi- and we do not know that he would accept it. We are

king about him."

ARRESTS IN HAYTI

Politics Causing a Round of Disturbances.

PRINCE, HAYTI, August 2.—The political situation is very anxious. There have been arrests, among them Dou-

former minister of the interior, Duvalier, a newspaper man. Duvalier made strong resistance

and in entering the United States legation, dragging with him

the United States Minister Powell and a protest and demanded the release of the prisoner. Eventually

the government gave way to the protest of Minister Powell, releasing Duvalier, who re-entered the

States legation.

Members of the Board of Directors held a meeting yesterday.

members of the board of directors of the Anna B. Millikin Home held a meeting and had more

to attend to today. At present there are at the Home 12 inmates, 10 women and six children.

month several have been taken from them Home and some have

mitted. The members of the board at their meeting discussed the interesting public more

work of the Home. The ladies are carrying on the institu-

the best of their ability but the best of groceries and cloth-

the people of the city would help matters.

important plan which was was that of having a new

for the Home. The ladies are much encouraged and hope the plans materialized.

COLUMBIA'S MAST BROKEN.

PORT, R. I., August 2.—The Columbia and Defender started in an

and races today. The Columbia led in seven seconds at the

had the best position. The Columbia's mast broke off 50 feet

from the dock and her sails dropped into the water. Tugs went to her as-

water.

SUN HEADACHE.

Many persons cannot go to church or an entertainment, even on a

or a short journey on the cars without in- carrying the worst kind of headache. It's

because of defective vision. The best and because of the sun still further strain the over-

worked eyes—make them smart and burn and ache. We'll fit your eyes with the

proper glasses to protect them and relieve strain. CONSULTATION FREE.

Augustine OPTICIAN

121 NORTH WATER STREET
Testing Free.

ON THURSDAY,
August 10,
The Vandalia Line

Will sell tickets to Atlantic City Ocean City, Sea Isle, Holly Beach, Cape May, New Jersey and other seaside re-

sports and return at the low rate of \$17.50 Round Trip.

Tickets good for return passage August 24.

For through sleeping car reservations and full information call on W. J. Smith, ticket agent, Union depot, or J. C. Millepaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill.

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A Curious Crusade.
Bournemouth, England, has become the cradle of a curious crusade, directed against the comfortable practice of sleeping in church. The clerical gentlemen who have started it apparently object to the habit on two grounds—impurity, that from an aesthetic point of view even "sleeping beauties," with an inclination to snore, are not attractive articles when viewed from the pulpit; and, secondly, that somnolence in the congregation is discourteous to the preacher. In a discussion which took place among the local pastors on the subject, Rev. T. Evans remarked that a good many people thought it a sin to laugh in church, but deemed it no harm to sleep there. Ministers ought to have hand cameras, with which to take snapshots of dormant members of their congregation, and then present copies to them. If people could see themselves asleep in the pew as viewed from the pulpit, it would give them many sleepless nights in thinking of the spectacle.—Troy Times.

High Price for Straightness.
One of the difficult problems in practical mechanics is to make a "straight edge." How difficult it is may be judged from an incident which occurred in the shops of J. A. Brashear, the astronomical instrument-maker. A customer asked Mr. Brashear what would be the price of "a perfect straight-edge of glass 26 inches long." "It can't be made absolutely perfect," said Mr. Brashear, "but it could probably be made with a limit of error amounting to only a fraction of a wave-length of light." "How much would that cost?" "About \$40,000!" It turned out that the customer wanted the straight-edge for a scraper, and that an error of one-sixty-fourth of an inch would have been insensible for his purpose.—Youth's Companion.

Cycling in Holland.
At a distance Holland, by reason of its flatness, may seem to be an ideal country for the cyclist, but as a matter of fact it is one of the worst in Europe. This is owing to the fact that all the main high roads of the country are paved with brick sized stones, and the consequent jolting is very disagreeable. An English gentleman one day rode over from The Hague to Leyden, a distance of about ten miles, and returned home so shaken and sore that he had to use an embrocation for his loins and back. In spite of these drawbacks the cycling mania appears to have taken very deep root in Holland.—N. Y. World.

Testing On Shoes.
One would hardly believe there are special times and seasons for trying on new shoes, but so it is. Larger shoes are required in summer than in winter, and it is always best to try them on in the latter part of the day. The feet are then at the maximum size. Activity naturally enlarges them and makes them swell; much standing tends to enlarge the feet. New shoes should be tried on over moderately thick stockings; then you can put on a thinner pair to ease your feet if the shoes seem to be tight.—Chicago Chronicle.

Why Not a Man?
"What are you thinking about?" she asked, during a lapse in the conversation. "I was wishing," he replied, drawing closer, "that I might be turned into a lip-biting bug for about five months."

And, then, of course—Philadelphia North American.

A Hint.
After all, it's a bit cruel to take flowers from their cool resting place in a vase of water, and choke them to sudden death by wearing them in the hot streets. A good deal more enjoyment can be had out of them by letting them live in peace, and in looking at them comfortably encoined in a vase of water.—Detroit Free Press.

Weight of Battleships.
Here are the weights of five British battleships at the time of their launching: Goliath, 6,100 tons; Victorious, 5,500; Prince George, 4,100, and the Ocean (soon to be launched), 5,000 tons. There was some armor on the Victorious and the Prince George, but none on the Goliath.—Chicago Chronicle.

Two Meanings.
"What a bird-like appetite she has," remarked an admirer to the crusty old bachelor who is helping the family entertain her while she is visiting it.

"Bird-like? I should say so. Anything from turkey to reed birds."—Detroit Free Press.

Microbes in Tobacco.
Herr Suchsland, a German scientist, has discovered that the aroma of tobacco is due to microbes, and it is said he will patent, if he can, a process for making cheap cigars smell like expensive ones.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Of Course Not.
"Marriage is so often a failure," said Miss Caustique, "that I don't blame women a bit for being old maids."

"Blame them?" said the crusty bachelor. "Of course not. It isn't their fault."—Kansas City Star.

Had a Lively Time.
Watts—Have a good time yesterday? Lushforth—Good time? Old boy, I can taste it yet!—Indianapolis Journal.

Round and Square.
It is a good idea to round out your business career by squaring obligations.—Chicago Dispatch.

Cooling and Biting.
The cooling is done before marriage—the biting afterward.—Chicago Daily News.

THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, August 2.—Illinois: Fair tonight and Thursday; variable winds.

Prior to the present century scurvy was one of the most dreaded diseases on shipboard. Armies were decimated by it and navies rendered useless; sometimes half a ship's crew would be disabled by scurvy. Until the researches of physicians showed that it owed its origin to the lack of fresh vegetables, its ravages were frequent and widespread. In 1795 there was introduced into the British navy the admirable regulations of provisioning ships-of-war drawn up by Blane. Since then scurvy has almost disappeared. At the present time it is seen only in exceptional circumstances, such as have recently arisen in the Klondike. Even in the long, lonely voyages to the pole our means of furnishing the crews with vegetable food in various forms has prevented any outbreak of importance.—Philadelphia Medical Journal.

The Power of Music.
At the recent Lyceum lecture on the "Perception of Musical Tone," delivered at Oxford, Prof. McDermick pointed out that the roots of the auditory nerves are probably more widely distributed and have more extensive connections than those of any other nerve. The intricate connections of these nerves are only being unraveled. The professor stated that this explained how music penetrates to the roots of our being and influences reflex mechanisms in the brain and in the body by association paths. "Thus there is scarcely a function of the body that may not be affected by the rhythmic pulsations, melodic progressions and harmonic combinations of music tones."—Chicago Tribune.

A Sudden Engagement.
Man Looking for a Flat (to friend)—I tell you, these landlords are perfect brutes. They seem to think children have no right to live. Every decent apartment I find the agent tells me no children are taken.

His Friend—You come up to our building. No objections there—house full of children. I've five, you know. The third flat is vacant, too. Man and wife moved out last week because there were so many children. Come home with me now and look at it.

"I'm, thanks—er—I'm afraid I can't to-night, old man. I just call an engagement I can't put off."—N. Y. World.

His Desire.
Mrs. McGorry—You'll have to do something' wid that clock to make it run correctly. Sure, phwiniver Oi don't get it back every half day it gains an hour or more in ivery tin oi twelve.

McGorry—Love it alone till it gets a whole day fast. Oi want to find out phwiniver it would prove that we war livin' back in yesterday an' the clock was on time, or we war all right an' the clock was tellin' the time as to-morrow to-day.—Puck.

No Tobacco for Norwegian Boys.
A law was recently passed in Norway prohibiting the sale of tobacco to any boy under 16 years of age without a signed order from an adult relative or employer. Even tourists who offer cigarettes to boys render themselves liable to prosecution. The police are instructed to confiscate the pipes, cigars and cigarettes of lads who smoke in the public streets. A fine for the offense is also imposed, which may be anywhere between 50 cents and \$25.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Cooperative Agriculture.
During nine years of steady work Horace Plinkett's nonpolitical Irish agricultural organization has wrought a quiet revolution by teaching the farmers the benefits of cooperation, and as a result there are now over 100 auxiliary dairying societies, with 10,000 members; five miscellaneous societies, with about 2,000 members; two feed erations and three banks.—N. Y. Sun.

A Queen's Superstition.
The queen regent of Spain carries a crow's eye in her bosom. As it is not mounted and rests directly on her heart, its sharp edges cause her many a prickling. "If it ceases to prick, then Spain will be once more happy and prosperous," this according to a prophecy by Marie Christina's grandmother.—N. Y. Journal.

Rain on the Great Lakes.
There are eight inches more rainfall on the south shore of Lake Superior than on the north shore, and three inches more in the cases of Erie and Ontario. There is also a greater precipitation on the eastern shores of Lakes Huron and Michigan than on the western.—Chicago Tribune.

A Victorious Defense.
"Dorothy has quit making me uncomfortable by telling me my hat wasn't on straight."

"What stopped her?"
"Every time she did it I told her she

The debility of David Duggins has been completely cured.

David Duggins lives in the town of Jones, Ohio County, Kentucky. From there he writes:

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One man said: "I smoke the Chanson as long as I can."
Another said: "I smoke it as short as I can."
"Must be long to be short."

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1899.

1. First Saturday in February.
2. First Saturday in April.
3. First Saturday in June.
4. First Saturday in August.
5. First Saturday in October.
6. First Saturday in November.
7. First Saturday in December.

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Neighborhood Dinners.

A friendly way in which to entertain one's friends and neighbors is to have a neighborhood dinner. If there should be a grange or farmers' club in the vicinity it should take the initiative. Meet in the largest room which can be secured; the schoolhouse will do, though some whole-souled farmer's house would be better. Each family might contribute to the general dinner. Appoint a toastmaster and give appropriate toasts; good music and a readable paper on some subject pertaining to the day will be well received. To make it still more impressive as a milestone on the road of brotherly love, make it truly a neighborly affair, and let each family bring a contribution from its own storehouse of plenty. A big wagon will be needed to haul these contributions away to the orphan's home, the charity hospital or to some needy family in the neighborhood. This is strictly practical. Within my knowledge it has been done again and again, corn, flour, meat, apples and clothing being among the donations.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Got What He Wanted.

Necessity is the mother of invention, and a hungry Frenchman illustrates the old adage anew.

He was in an English restaurant and wanted eggs for breakfast but had forgotten the English word. So he got round the difficulty in the following way:

"Vaiter, vat is dat valking in de yard?"

"A cock, sir."

"Ah! And vat you call de cock's wife?"

"The hen, sir."

"And vat you call de childrens of de cock and his wife?"

"Chickens, sir."

"But vat you call de chickens before dey are chickens?"

"Eggs, sir."

"Bring me two."—Boston Traveler.

Crested Apples in France.

There are apple growers at Montreuil, France, who furnish fruit bearing family crests. The apples are grown in paper bags. When the apples are about as large as hickory nuts the bags are slipped over them in order to protect them from the sun. When they are nearly ripe new bags are adjusted, with the crest cut out like a stencil on one side of the bag. The sun then colors the apple, leaving a green crest on a red apple or a red design on a green surface.—N. Y. Herald.

Hot Men-of-War.

The hottest ship in the fleet around Cuba was said to be the St. Paul—not her upper works, but down in the hold. But she was not a marker to the Cincinnati, in whose hold temperatures as high as 205 degrees were registered. In one of the firerooms was located a forced draft blower to which it was impossible to give proper attention on account of the intense heat. When Capt. Clegg went below to investigate he found his face scorched. Water boils at 212 degrees.—N. Y. Press.

No Plus Ultra.

In Boston, Mass., people were felicitating a young person upon her approaching marriage. "He's a fine fellow," they exclaimed, in delicate compliment of her future husband. "Oh, a veritable cod!" she replied, with considerable enthusiasm, and then they blushed deeply to think how very boastful that must sound.—Detroit Journal.

A Training Table.

"Mrs. Hashem," said the star boarder, "I have a friend who wants to board with you."
"I can accommodate him, Mr. Smart," said the lady, delightedly. "I suppose you recommended our table?"
"Yes; that's what impressed him most. You see, he's a pugilist, and he wants to increase the length of his reach."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Unaccountable.

Emma—Charley asked me to marry him last evening, and I had to refuse him, the dear fellow.
Ella—How did it happen?
"Of course I like Charley, but as to marrying him—"
"I mean how did it happen that he asked you?"—Boston Transcript.

His Opinion.

"What is your idea of a silent partner?" was asked of a business oracle on the board of trade.
"He's the fellow that puts his money into a firm and keeps his mouth shut while it is being spent."—Detroit Free Press.

Philippine Buffalo.

The Philippine buffalo, which is preferred to horses or donkeys, is almost an amphibious animal. It cannot do hard work for any length of time without bathing and wallowing in the mud.—N. Y. World.

Hardest Kind of Work.

"What do you find the most difficult task?" asked the idle friend.
"The hardest thing about my job," the all-round clerk replied, "is going on with my work, when I have drawn my pay in advance."—Bangor News.

India's Deserted Capitals.

A remarkable feature of India is the number of deserted capitals. There are no less than three old Delhis, all close to each other and south of the present city.—Chicago Chronicle.

Contempt of Court.

The Court—What do you mean, sir, by denying your identity?
The Prisoner—I didn't want it generally known that I was in such bad company.—Ohio State Journal.

His Last Resort.

Home is usually the clubman's last resort.—Chicago Daily News.

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They are coming down from Dawson and around the tollers here. They are coming home with money. To find in the atmosphere. They are keeping us excited. With the tales that they unfold. And they fill our sleep with visions of alluring heaps of gold.

But for each who comes to tell us Of the fortune that he found. There are hundreds who are digging In unprofitable ground. Hundreds who, alone and hungry, Labor on from day to day. Looking back and longing vainly For the crusts they threw away.

They are coming with big stories Of the riches that they bear. And the figures may be truthful. But the bones that whiten there. And the moaning and the yearning Of the hundreds left behind. Tell a story that is true. Of the treasures that they find.—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Times-Herald.

The Woods.

When I was sad, to the heart of the woods I stole.

To the woods alone—

And the grave woods listened to my burdened soul.

No need of words, for the heart of the woods to hear—

To the soul's mute cry. In her solitude the quiet trees gave ear, And the still blue sky—

The sky that looks through the trees like loving eyes—

Till the soul-pangs ceased. And the solemn pines sang to the skies—

And the pines sang "Peace!"

When I was glad, to the heart of the woods I went—

To the woods alone—

And the glad woods listened, making me content.

My joy, their own; The blue sky smiled, and the leaves made merry with me.

For they understood; Who seeks will find a friend in every tree. In the heart of the woods.

Yet, lingering there, so deep the soul-joy grows. Light mirth must cease; And far above, where the free wind comes and goes—

The pines sing "Peace!"

—Francis Barlow, in Youth's Companion.

The South Wind.

Sweet is the power the South Wind holds. With his pinions of sunshine and gleams of air.

That scatter from out their weightless folds The scent of magnolias, faint and rare.

When the South Wind cometh the daisies And nod at the great white clouds as they pass.

And out on the meadow the breeze-blows take Can scarce be told from the rippling grass.

He seeks the rippling corn a-ture, Then sweeps it with his magic bow; And listen! An enchanted round. A whispered lullaby, soft and low.

That tells of shimmering jungles deep. Of warm, blue skies and of the calm. Of plains where buried cities sleep. Of lemon-grass and ancient palm.

This is the South Wind. Mark him well! This soft-spoken, blue-eyed enchanter, who seems To weave round the senses a delicate spell Of bright, fragrant clouds and of misty summer dreams.

—William Lloyd Hilkey, in N. Y. Observer.

A Summer's Day.

How does a summer's morn come up? Winds that wake the listless leaves; Sky that rose and purple leaves; Vague, dim chirp of birds; and then, Deepening with the dawn, and then, Woods that ring with joyous din, Bees that flit and buzz begin. Rustling plumes of ripening corn— This is a summer's morn.

How does a summer's night come down? Sudden fire-flies roundabout; Sparks of daylight dying out; Call of sleepy birds; Under dusty vine-leaves hid; And the cricket's shrilling cry, Pausing at a footfall nigh. God's restful, starry night. This is a summer's night.

—George Cooper, in Golden Days.

Shades Forever Fair.

Wouldst look upon what ruthless years Have done With loveliest things that ever knew the sun, Deive not where The shadows lie on old marbles rare; Look not there.

For pure beauty that has passed away Look not in ruined fane of old decay; Seek not there.

The sovereign shades forever fair; Look not there.

Look in the pale sad face no longer young, Look through the suffering that has found no tongue; That despair, Mute, gentle, let it be thy care; There, seek there.

Look in and in, with tender, tireless art, Among the beauties of a ruined heart; Shades made fair With glory only love can wear, Seek them there! —Hesper Weekly.

Sweet Service.

To tell her he is blessing; to suffer still is sweet.

To wear the thorns, if roses only blossom at her feet.

In the thrill of storm a thunder to endure the darkest night.

if only the dear eyes of his are lifted to the light!

To dream of her is heaven, where white clouds angel wings throng.

To sing of her is sweeter than for the sake of song.

And all the world is loveliness in even its darkest night.

if only the dear eyes of his are lifted to the light!

—Atlanta Constitution.

The Kiss of the Innocent.

I hear the patter of her feet, I hear her anxious little cry. She runs to meet me down the street, My heart, at sight of her, leaps high.

Ah, here is love—true love—for me! No guile is in her baby breast! I run to clasp her in my arms, My lips to hers are fondly pressed!

Somehow we always expect the fellow who gets mad first to get out of the argument second best.

All the world loves a lover but a park policeman.

One never learns the truth about any man from his tombstone.

Why is it that the small of other people's dinner is always better than our own?

This Sign Gave Warning.

Up on the northern Mississippi on the Wisconsin side is a steamboat landing. Only the boats from Dubuque to points up the river touch there now, but it was once a thriving landing. The old river town of Peot is a mile and a half inland now, but in the busy days it stood on what was the bank of the river. Now there is a railroad between it and the river. Its people are mostly aged, and they toil not. Work seems unnecessary, and there is plenty of money for food and beer, which some of the incorrigible gay blades of the river days still drink. This is the reason that upon the levee now there stands a sole building, and this is a saloon. There is a brewery sign on one corner, and a rudely-lettered sign on the side of the building. Upon this is painted the owner's name and his motto, thus: "A stands for Andy, but Andy won't stand for the beer."—Chicago Times-Herald.

The Horse's Head.

The foot of a horse is one of the most ingenious and unexampled pieces of mechanism in animal structure. The hoof contains a series of vertical and thin laminae of horn, amounting to about 500 and forming a complete lining to it. All this is fitted as many laminae belong to the coffin bone, while both sets are elastic and adherent. The edge of a quire of paper, inserted leaf by leaf into another, will convey a sufficient idea of the arrangement. Thus the weight of the animal is supported by as many elastic springs as there are laminae in all the feet, amounting to about 4,600, distributed in the most secure manner, since every spring is acted on in an oblique direction.—Boston Budget.

Forest Areas in North America.

The forest area of all the British possessions in America is estimated at about 800,000,000 acres. The settler has cut his way into the fringe of the vast woodland, but his depredations are nothing as compared with the terrific scourge of fire which has rampaged through it at different times. The United States has about 450,000,000 acres of forest, but this is being rapidly depleted by the ax and by destructive fires. The government is now investigating means to prevent or control the latter.—Chicago Chronicle.

Rushing It In.

"It doesn't pay to be good," said a little Zebidie boy.

"Why, Willie, I'm shocked," said his mother. "Whatever put that idea into your head?"

"Pa."

"What do you mean?"

"You know he whipped me for going in swimming last Sunday afternoon."

"Yes, I remember it."

"Well, that very morning he preached a sermon about cleanliness, being next to godliness."—St. Paul Globe.

Seeds Survive Great Cold.

A New York experimenter has been trying the effect of very low temperatures on seeds. Seeds of peas, oats, barley and wheat were kept for several hours at 312 degrees below zero—that is what he says—for 110 hours. After being thawed out and planted the seeds grew all right. There seems to be no further cause for alarm over freezing seeds. We seldom have it as low as 312 degrees below zero for 110 hours at a time, even in Dakota.—N. Y. Sun.

Sudden Relapse.

"He's a mean man," was the earnest comment; "a mighty mean man."

"What has occurred?"

"I was explaining to him my success in demonstrating the power of mind over matter. I was telling him how I had brought my will and my intellect to bear upon a corn, and how I had subjected the delusion called pain, when he deliberately stepped on my foot!"—Ohio State Journal.

One of the Directors.

"Impossible," exclaimed the caller to the proud mother. "I can't believe that you son, who has only been in the employ of that great corporation for six months, is already a director."

"Well, I can. James is a splendid penman, and here is the news in his last letter. He had just finished directing 10,000 circulars."—Detroit Free Press.

Spiders and the Diving Bell.

There is nothing new in the diving bell. Long before man thought he invented it the water spider knew all about it. The water spider crawls down a reed, dragging his diving bell with him, and anchors it under water on a level keel so that the air it contains keeps the water out.—N. Y. World.

The Terror of Hyderabad.

It is on record that no fewer than 23 persons were killed by a man-eating panther in the Ellichpore district, Hyderabad, during the past 12 months. The brute remains at large, despite the reward of 300 rupees offered for his capture.—Post of Delhi.

Scared.

"Why do the young men treat Jane so rudely?"

"The story got out that Jane said that the first man who suited her should propose to him on the spot."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Sent the Wife.

Minister—I am sorry I didn't see you at church yesterday, Tummus.

Tummus—Well, ye see, it was siccan a wat day it wisna fit to turn out a dog in. But I sent the wife, sir.—Tit-Bits.

Mean Teachers.

A boy never forgets a teacher who serves him a mean trick. The wonder is that so few school-teachers get killed.—Washington (In.) Democrat.

Insupportable.

Tom—What are the relations between you and Miss Van Dyke nowadays?

Jack (gloomily)—Her father and mother.—Cassell's.

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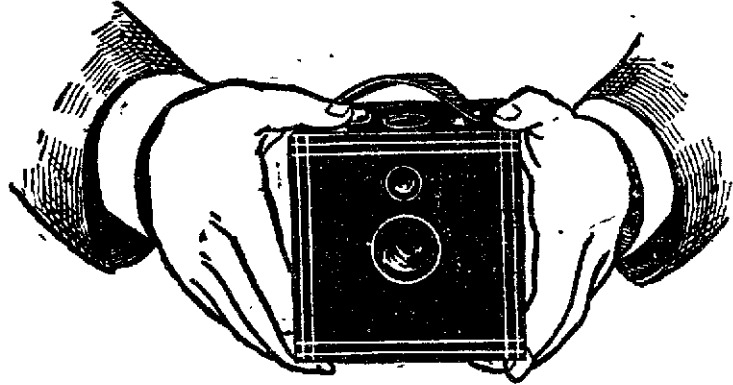
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The members of the Mayflower Mission Sunday school held their annual picnic at Fairlawn on Tuesday afternoon.

Limit of 15 days via P., D. & E. to Niagara Falls, Tuesday, August 8. See agents and get information regarding side trips.—7-dtd

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Call at the C. B. Prescott music house and see those Chickering and Prescott pianos, all magnificent instruments, to be had at low prices on easy terms.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Sons of Veterans will give a poverty social on Thursday evening, August 10, at their hall, corner of South Water and East Wood streets.

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Twenty-nine officers and men wrote from the front today that for scratches, bruises, cuts, wounds, sore feet and stiff joints, Buckle's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for Burns, Skin Eruptions and Piles. 25c a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling, druggists.

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August 10 the Vandalia-Pennsylvania will have a very cheap excursion Decatur to Atlantic City, N. J., \$17.50 for the round trip. Tickets good for 15 days. This will give you a splendid opportunity to enjoy your summer vacation on the sea shore, at very reasonable rate. For full particulars see J. C. Millsbaugh, T. P. A. Vandalia Line.—18-dtd

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CHANGE THE NAME

Of the Banking House of Peddecord, Burrows & Co. of This City.

The old established banking house formerly known as Peddecord, Burrows & Co., has been reorganized and the name changed to L. Burrows & Co., bankers. The change was made on July 28, the day after the death of J. J. Peddecord. The depositors who have visited the bank have been notified of the change.

Pennsylvania lawn mowers, Scovill Co.—6-dtd

FOUR GREAT RACES.

Home Trotting and Racing Matinee at the Park.

The second racing matinee by the Gentlemen's Driving club will occur at the race track tomorrow afternoon. It will attract a large crowd. There will be four separate contests. In the free-for-all will be horses capable of going a mile in 2:10 and better. The owners will drive the horses. Mayor Taylor expects to win and so do all the other horse owners. Go out early and enjoy the fun. Tomorrow afternoon.

New departure lawn mowers at Scovill's.—6-dtd

Logan County Old Settlers.

The old settlers of Logan county will hold their annual reunion at Atlanta Tuesday, September 5. A committee has just held a meeting in Atlanta for the purpose of completing arrangements. Congressman Vespasian Warner of Clinton has promised to deliver the principal address of the day.

Does Coffee Agree With You?

If not, drink Gran-O-made from pure grains. A lady writes: "The first time I made Gran-O I did not like it, but after using it for one week, nothing would induce me to go back to coffee." It nourishes and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a package today from your grocer. Follow the directions in making it, and you will have a delicious and healthful table beverage for old and young. 10c and 25c.

SALES OF PROPERTY.

House and Lot Belonging to Depew Estate Sold—Walker Estate.

There were two administrator sales Tuesday at the court house. One was in the estate of the late H. Clay Depew, Mrs. Nettie Depew being the administratrix. The undivided one-half interest in a lot in block 1 of Durfee & King's addition was sold to John S. Campbell. The lot is at the corner of Marietta and Water streets and has a frontage of 91 feet on the latter street. The price paid was \$2066 for the half interest.

The land of the estate of the late Charles L. Walker was sold by Attorney J. H. Latham for the administrator, John W. Welker. There were three tracts, one of 10 acres, one of seven acres and one of three acres. They were put up separately and brought \$465 and were then offered as a whole and sold for \$930 to Mrs. Charles L. Walker.

E. W. WOOD RESIGNS.

C. W. Montgomery Made Secretary of Decatur Mutual Loan.

E. W. Wood has resigned the position of secretary of the Decatur Mutual Loan association and Charles W. Montgomery of the firm of Montgomery & Wise, has been elected to fill his place. Mr. Wood will hereafter devote his entire time to the business of Wood & Flint, manufacturing pharmacists, the business having grown at such a rate as to make a move to larger quarters necessary and the change has been made from Wood street to 214-218 West Main street.

Mr. Montgomery has taken the line of insurance carried by Mr. Wood and that business will be carried on at his present offices in the Millikin building. The name of the firm has been changed from Montgomery & Wise to C. W. Montgomery & Co., but there will be no change in the partnership. The office of the loan association will remain in the Central block for the present.

Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Rupert of 1049 Howard street, on Tuesday, August 1, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Riggs of East Marietta street, on Tuesday, August 1, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. George P. Wiley of Chicago, on July 29, a daughter. Mrs. Wiley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Evans of this city.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Church of Toledo, Ohio, on Monday, July 24, a son. Mr. and Mrs. Church were formerly residents of Decatur.

Family of Tarantulas.

The tarantula found in a bunch of bananas at the S. D. May grocery store last Saturday is now the proud mother of a family of hundreds of children who swarm around in the jar in which they are confined like myriads of small goats. They made their appearance last Monday morning and have attracted a great deal of attention. It is any one is thinking of going into the tarantula farming business he has ample capital in the small glass jar to start him on liberal lines.

Prevented a Tragedy.

Timely information from Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, Ohio, saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes, this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of its power to cure all throat, chest and lung troubles. Only 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed. Trial bottles free. E. King and C. F. Shilling Drug Stores.

Divorce Wanted.

Elmore C. Hunter, through his attorneys, Shelly Bros. & Gibson, has filed in the office of the circuit clerk a suit for a divorce from his wife, Mattie C. Hunter. He states that they were married December 9, 1889, and lived together until September, 1897. Infidelity is charged as grounds for the divorce.

Fatal Boat Ride.

Late Monday night at Weldon Springs Lake, south of Clinton, Miss Dora Stoddard, whose relatives reside at Ramsey, was drowned. She was with Will Kent in a boat, when the boat capsized and both went into the water. Kent made desperate efforts to save the young woman, but failed. The body was recovered within five hours.

Insurance gasoline stoves can't explode.—6-dtd

Two Foot Races.

There were two good foot races last night at the brewery. The races started at the top of the hill on Webster street and ran west down the hill toward the brewery. One race was between Al Hedenburg and Al Hembrecht. They ran 100 yards and Hambrecht beat by about 30 feet. There was a stake put up on the race.

The second race was between Warren Seivers and Will Atkinson. The latter won by about 10 feet.

Wanted in Springfield.

James F. McKinzie was arrested last evening by Officer Leech. He is wanted at Springfield for skipping a board bill. McKinzie is a traveling salesman from St. Louis. The Springfield authorities were notified and an officer came to Decatur this morning and took the man back to Springfield.

CURSE TO CHURCH

Are Cards, Dancing and Theater Going.

STRONG TALK AT THE TENT.

Evangelist Smith Strikes Popular Amusements as the Keynote to the Wall of Lost Souls.

The announcement that Evangelist Smith would speak on the subject of "Popular Amusements" last evening, attracted one of the largest crowds that has yet been seen at the Y. M. C. A. tent meeting. The tent was crowded and a large number stood at the entrance, while yet others listened from their carriages outside.

Mr. Smith made a strong and forceful talk against the evils of cards, dancing and theatergoing. He said the greatest sin in connection with these amusements is that we love them more than love Jesus Christ. Going farther he said: "I once loved these things as much as any of you but I have been driven against my will to believe that the enemy of souls is using the card table, the dance and the theatre to drag young men and young women into gambling and licentiousness. Young men do not learn to gamble in the gambling rooms, but in their own home or some one's parlor. It is a mistake to think you are throwing a safeguard around your boy by teaching him to play at home. I am not afraid that my son will learn gambling in some resort on Clark street, but there are people on our street who are gambling for souvenir spoons and booby prizes and it is there he will be led into danger."

In speaking of dancing Mr. Smith said that he would speak only of the round dance. He said that the chief of police of New York has said that 75 per cent of the women in the houses of ill repute were led to this life by the round dance. He did not mean to say that 75 per cent of the women who danced were led to lives of the sort but that 75 per cent of those who led disreputable lives were led into it by the round dance.

The remark made by a young man at a private dance has settled the question for me. He had been set on fire with passion in the dance in which he had just engaged. The average dancing master is a leprous leech.

"Another thing that is cursing the churches is the theatre. The person who is interested in card playing, dancing and theatre going cannot give their time to the church. Any one knows these things are not consistent with the life of a Christian. While it may not harm you it cannot help but be a stumbling block in the way of others. I shall not ask that you lay down your life and go home, but that you lay down one thing and be drawn nearer to Christ and not be a stumbling block for some one else."

At the close of the address a fervent prayer was made by Rev. M. B. Spayd and Rev. W. C. Miller said that although he had heard Moody, Chapin and Mills on this subject, he had never heard a better address. The pastors who assisted in the services were Rev. W. C. Miller, Rev. C. S. Lyles and Rev. M. B. Spayd. The envelopes for the free will offering were collected by A. H. Mills at the beginning of the service, but will not be opened until this evening, when it is thought all will be in.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

On account of the different prayer meetings the services this evening will not begin until 8 o'clock.

Saugamon Church.

A new church which has been erected for the Universalists of Saugamon will be dedicated next Sunday. The church building has just been completed. The dedication services will begin at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. John W. Cook, Rev. Cheusey and Rev. C. W. E. Gossway, pastor of the Universalist church at Clinton, will take part, besides several from Decatur. There will be preaching services in the morning, afternoon and night. The congregation has been connected with it a Sunday school of 60 members.

Began the Sewer.

R. E. Kincaid has begun the work of constructing the sewer in the south part of the city. The sewer runs from Wood street south in the alley between Main and Water streets to Decatur street and thence east to the Franklin street sewer. It will take about a month to complete the work.

Contractor Perry, who is to lay the concrete walk around the outside of Central park has begun taking up the old curbing and is at work putting down the new walk.

Catholic Picnic at Alton.

Rev. Father Kelly left last night for Alton, where today he will attend the big picnic which is being given for the benefit of the Orphans' Home at that place. One of the attractions of the athletic program is a game of base ball between the Alton "Blue Stockings" and a team picked from the younger clergy of the diocese.

Arm Broken.

Late on Tuesday afternoon Albert, the 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ammann, fell from a pony and broke his right arm below the elbow.

WOODMAN PICNIC.

General Committee Held a Meeting Last Night and Made Some Further Plans.

The members of the general committee in charge of the Woodman picnic to be held at Fairlawn park on August 18, held a meeting last night at the office of Sheriff Lehman and arranged some further details for the affair. It was decided to give Chief Marsen, Elwood power to select and arrange the route to be followed by the parade. Several of the neighboring camps reported that they would be present with a full membership.

The Royal Neighbors were granted the privilege of erecting bandstand in the park in order that they and all visiting sisters could drop in occasionally and see whether or not their hats were on straight or whether or not their bangs are getting outting. It was decided also that the Foresters competition drill on Prairie avenue should be gone through with at 4 p. m. Five teams have already signed their intention of taking part in the drill and more are expected.

Judges for this contest were appointed and are as follows: L. W. Fribourg, George R. Bacon and Harry Ruthrauff.

Judges for the camp outside of the camp having the largest number of members in the parade are H. J. Votaw, E. J. Sicking and H. H. Wisa.

Judges for the best decorated carriage and pony cart in the parade are Miss Jennie Wainley, Miss Alice Russell and Miss Lela Bridges.

BASE BALL GAME.

Played Yesterday Afternoon Between the College Hill and Macon Teams.

The College Hill base ball team won on the race track diamond yesterday afternoon with the Macon Maroons. The result of the game was 25 to 20 in favor of Decatur. The batteries were Payne and Keck for Decatur and Clarkson and Love for Macon. Jesse Crane was umpire. The Macon boys kicked about him all the time and in the middle of the eighth inning he was removed.

The College Hill club has a game with a Springfield team next Monday as the Nashville team will not be here on the date expected. A game will be played at Ivesdale on August 16.

Conservator Appointed.

In the county court Tuesday afternoon B. G. Henry was declared a person to have a conservator. The action was taken on the petition of Mrs. Mollie H. Muir, a daughter of Mr. Henry. She asked that Hugh Logan be named and he was appointed by Judge Hamner. The personal estate is valued at \$500. The person that heard the case was composed of R. T. Williams, Dr. F. M. Anderson, Jacob Willis, K. W. Ferguson, G. W. Stoy and Fred Matthis.

Wheelmen's Club.

The members of the board of directors of the Decatur Wheelmen's club held a meeting last night and transacted routine business. Dr. F. O. Rhoads and Harry Lanham were elected to membership and Homer Erwin was appointed to collect dues from the members for the month of August. The club received a postcard from Will Freeman, who is traveling in Germany.

Niagara Falls and Return, \$8.50 free Decatur.

On Tuesday, August 2nd, the P., D. & E. Ry. will run its annual excursion to Niagara Falls at the above rate, giving passengers their choice of a full trip or trip to Buffalo by steamer. For a pleasant outing no other excursion offers such opportunity. Call on nearest ticket agent for particulars, or write G. A. Smith, G. A., Peoria, Ill.—25-dtd

Chicken Fry.

The ladies of the General and Society of the Christian Endeavor met their meeting on Tuesday afternoon and decided to hold a chicken fry at Fairlawn park on August 10. Good prizes were received from the auxiliaries of the society at the meeting and everything goes to show the condition is prosperous.

Soldiers Are Camping.

A number of the members of the 1st pay H are camping across the bridge on the Saugamon river and expect to be out for several days. The party is composed of James E. Smith, Clarence Cowley, L. W. Smith and Charles Martin.

A Mother Tells How She Saved Her Little Daughter's Life.

I am the mother of eight children, have had a great deal of experience with medicines. Last summer my daughter had the dysentery and I tried everything I could think of, but nothing seemed to do her any good. I saw by an advertisement in a paper that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was for sale. I tried it and it proved to be one of the best medicines we ever had in our house. It saved my little girl's life. I am anxious for every mother to know what an excellent remedy it is. Had I known it at first it would have saved me a great deal of trouble. Yours truly, Mrs. George H. Liberty, R. 1. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Chodas's

Little Dutch cigars are smoked for 10 cents.

TWENTY-EIGHTH YEAR

L. M. SHAW GOVERNOR

Iowa Republicans Meet and Name State Ticket.

THE RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Convention by Unanimous Vote.

PATRIOTISM, SOUND MONEY,

Loyalty and Opposition to Trusts in Every Form the Keynote of the Platform—Warm Endorsement of Col. Henderson for Speaker of the House.

DES MOINES, IOWA, August 3.—The Republican state convention nominated the following ticket:

For Governor—Leslie M. Shaw of Des Moines.

For Lieutenant Governor—J. C. Millman of Logan.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—R. C. Barrett of Osage.

For Railroad Commissioner—E. A. Dawson of Waverly.

For Supreme Judge—John C. Sherwin of Mason City.

Resolutions.

"We commend the action of the Iowa delegation in Congress in its support of protection of the Dingley tariff, of the maintenance of the gold standard and in its faithful support of the administration of President McKinley's policy in peace and war. We require in the prospective election of David B. Henderson to be speaker of the House of Representatives, and endorse him as wholly worthy of that honor. We readopt the following declaration from the Iowa Republican platform of 1898:

"The monetary standard of this country and the commercial world is gold. The permanence of this standard must be assured by congressional legislation, giving to it the validity and vitality of public law. All other money must be kept at a parity with gold."

"And we urgently call upon our senators and representatives in Congress to lend their best endeavors to enact these propositions into law. We denounce the Chicago platform and its declaration in favor of free trade and free silver currency at the ratio of 16 to 1, and its attacks upon the courts, as threatening the American people with a departure from the policies of good government that would prove fraught with evil to the American people. The enactment of that platform call for the resistance of all good citizens. As Republicans, we make recognition of the loyalty and exalted patriotism of the sound money Democrats and men of all parties who put aside partisanship in order to maintain the good faith of the nation, and in resistance to the Chicago platform and its candidate.

"To maintain the welfare of the people is the object of all governments. Industry and commerce should be left free to pursue their method according to the natural laws of the world, but when the business combinations known as trusts prove harmful to the people, they must be restrained by natural laws, and, if need be, abolished.

"We believe in the wisdom and high purpose of the president of the United States. We admire the skill and courage of our officers and glory in the valor, the constancy, the hereditary valor of our soldier boys of the army and navy. Nothing of support or sympathy or moral or material aid will comfort will ever withhold from them. There shall be no division among us until all in arms against the flag shall confess its supreme rights and honor, and shall know that even in the farthest east it is the sign and promise of equal law, of justice and liberty throughout the land, and to all the inhabitants thereof.

"That for the national defense, for

the re-enforcement of the enlargement of our for the employment workmen, in the far, mills, factories we favor the enactment which will regain to the carrying of force."

ROOT AND

A Conference at Santia

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Secretary Root spent some time in conference with the official matters relating to the war department. The secretary upon General Miles and war department. The commanding the army when the secretary's visitors were detained was over.

Secretary Root made on a tour of the war department. The secretary upon the heads of the general features of the particular bureau and questions from the office.

It is understood that a conference was had with General Miles and his recommendations should be brought into a small gathering for selecting immunes to possible.

The yellow fever currently discussed as the removal of the yellow fever over.

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SPRINGFIELD, Ill. In answer to inquiries general has handed opinions bearing on law, which are in the hands of owners with state. Many holders claimed that they were based on a "A vendor of real estate upon the purchase price of a stockholder in a money is taxable stock without any money borrowed."

"It takes a majority of men or trustees to ordinance, instead of a quorum present when is passed."

Well Known Methodist Minister is Dr. A. L. Collins, Minister, Ill. says that there are no more his brother, Rev. today while Dr. Collins is in the city a pastor. He stated that Rev. Collins had been in Decatur his brother's illness had not been hours. Bowel trouble of death.

Rev. Collins was a Decatur. He has been the Methodist church. He was born in the August 29, 1844. His parents were Mr. E. J. Collins and Mrs. E. J. Collins. He was also leaves a place in the church. He was a member of the church. He was a member of the church. He was a member of the church.

Marriage Daniel M. Shaw and Edith L. Pope.